

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. ((Original) A method for measuring collagen by immunoanalysis using an anti-collagen antibody which is characterized in that a test sample is treated with a reducing agent.
2. (Original) The method for measuring collagen according to claim 1 wherein the immunoanalysis is fluoroimmunoassay using an anti-collagen antibody.
3. (Currently Amended) The method for measuring collagen according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~ which is sandwich-type time-resolved fluoroimmunoassay (TR-FIA).
4. (Currently Amended) The method for measuring collagen according to claim 1 ~~any of claims 1 to 3~~ wherein the collagen is type IV collagen.

5. (Currently Amended) The method for measuring collagen according to claim 1 ~~any of claims 1 to 4~~ wherein the reducing agent is dithiothreitol.

6. (Currently Amended) The method for measuring collagen according to claim 1 ~~any of claims 1 to 5~~ wherein the test sample is urine.

7. (Currently Amended) The method for measuring collagen according to claim 1 ~~any of claims 1 to 6~~ wherein the test sample is urine of an experimental animal.

8. (Currently Amended) The method for measuring collagen according to claim 1 ~~any of claims 1 to 7~~ wherein the concentration of the reducing agent in a test sample is between 0.1 mM and 10 mM.

9. (Original) The method for measuring collagen according to claim 8 wherein the concentration of the reducing agent in a test sample is between 0.1 mM and 5 mM.

10. (Original) The method for measuring collagen according to claim 8 wherein the concentration of the reducing agent in a test sample is 0.5 mM and 5 mM.

11. (Currently Amended) The method for measuring collagen according to claim 1 ~~any of claims 1 to 10~~ which comprises the following steps:

- (1) a step of treating a test sample with a reducing agent;
- (2) a step of allowing the test sample treated in (1) above to come into contact with a solid phase carrier on which an anti-collagen immobilized antibody is immobilized;
- (3) a step of allowing an anti-collagen labeled antibody having a labeling substance to come into contact with the above-described solid phase carrier; and
- (4) a step of detecting or measuring collagen which was bound to the anti-collagen immobilized antibody by using the above-described labeling substance.

12. (Original) A kit for measuring collagen, which comprises at least a reducing agent and an anti-collagen antibody.